PROJECT FACT SHEET CONSTRUCTION GENERAL

PROJECT NAME AND STATE: Section 219 - Environmental Infrastructure Program

LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION: Specifically authorized locations within the Pittsburgh District area of responsibility include Allegheny County, PA; Greensboro and Glassworks, PA; Coudersport, PA; Findlay Township, Allegheny County, PA; North Fayette Township, Allegheny County, PA; Springdale Borough, PA; Robinson Township, Allegheny County, PA; Jefferson Township, Greene County, PA; Titusville, PA; and Washington, Greene, Westmoreland, and Fayette Counties, PA.

TOTAL PROJECT COST: varies

Total Federal Cost: 75% **Total Non-Federal Cost**: 25%

NON-FEDERAL SPONSOR: Allegheny County Sanitary Authority (ALCOSAN), for the design phase of work at Sheraden Park, City of Pittsburgh as the initial project in western Pennsylvania to receive funding under this program.

CURRENT STATUS: An initial appropriation of \$400,000 was received in FY 2002 for the Three Rivers Wet Weather Demonstration Program. ALCOSAN has executed a cost shared design agreement with the Corps of Engineers, Pittsburgh District, and the design of a sanitary and stormwater sewer project at Sheraden Park in the City of Pittsburgh is underway. This site is one of at least a dozen in Allegheny County where surface streams and creeks enter municipal combined sewer systems, contributing to sewer overflows, wasting treatment capacity, and causing sewer system operations and maintenance problems. Completion of design work for this initial project is expected in 2004. Future construction of the project will require execution of a cost shared Project Construction Agreement (PCA) with a non-federal sponsor, and the appropriation of additional federal funds. To date, the Executive Branch has not budgeted for Section 219 projects. FY 2003 appropriations included an additional \$750,000 for the Three Rivers Wet Weather Demonstration Program and is expected to be applied to a project on Homestead Run.

AUTHORIZATION: Section 219, Water Resources Development Act (WRDA) of 1992, as amended by Section 504, WRDA of 1996; Section 502, WRDA of 1999, and Section 108 of the 2001 Appropriations Act for the Depts of Labor, Health & Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies, authorizes the Secretary of the Army to provide assistance to non-federal interests in carrying out water-related environmental infrastructure and resource protection and development projects, including waste water treatment and related facilities, and water supply, storage, treatment, and distribution facilities. The non-federal cost share is 25%. Past authorizations have included \$20,000,000 for Allegheny County; \$11,000,000 for Findlay Township; \$500,000 for North Fayette Township; \$500,000 for Springdale Borough; \$1,200,000 for Robinson Township; \$1,000,000 for Jefferson Township; \$7,300,000 for Titusville; and \$8,000,000 for Washington, Greene, Westmoreland, and Fayette Counties, but projects under this authority will require future federal appropriations. Non-federal sponsors will be responsible for providing 25% of any future project design and construction costs.

CONGRESSIONAL INTEREST: Doyle (PA-18)

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